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PRESS RELEASE

Wisconsin is expanding its Medicaid program, effective April 1, 1999, to cover children up to age 19 as long as family income does not exceed 100% of the federal poverty guidelines. Attached for your information is a copy of the press release going out to public health agencies statewide.

The intent of the press release is to reach a large portion of the Wisconsin children without health insurance. Persons are instructed to contact their local human services department to apply for Medicaid.